Dear parents & guardians,

I am so very pleased and proud to formally announce that Lineville Choir students will have the opportunity to participate in a Penny War from May 18 - May 22 in an effort to raise $360 to sponsor a child in Africa. One of the songs we will be performing at our Spring Concert is 'We are the World'. In commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the song, Lineville students voted to 'pay it forward' just like the original recording artists who used the proceeds to 'pay it forward' to the people of Africa in 1985 when they were dying of hunger and disease. The students are very excited and eager for this opportunity to help 'make the world a brighter place' and are really enjoying learning this song - it is quickly becoming a favorite! Many students have come back to class with stories about the song told to them by their parents. Please know that participation in the Penny War is an <u>optional</u> activity. No student or family should feel obligated to participate!

All the proceeds from the Penny War will go to the nonprofit group 'Save the Children'. If we raise less than $360 we will use that money to purchase gifts for children in African (goats, chickens, water wells). If we raise more than $360 we will sponsor a child and then use the remaining money to purchase gifts.

I do ask that all students who choose to participate in the Penny War follow the rules and expectations listed below:

- Only coins may be used in the Penny War (See below if your family or child would like to give a larger monetary donation)
- Pennies count TOWARDS the total amount
- All silver coins will be SUBTRACTED from the total number of pennies collected
- There will be 12 jars - 1 jar per choir
- Students should place pennies in their choir's jar
- If students choose to brings silver coins, they should place those coins in a jar that is NOT for their choir
- The choir that wins the Penny War (total number of pennies - total dollar amount of silver coins) will win a special treat from me

If your family would like to make a larger monetary donation (that would be separate from the Penny War) they should mail their donation to Mrs. Doelger at:

Lineville Intermediate School % Mrs. Doelger
2700 Lineville Rd
Green Bay, WI

Checks should be made out to 'Save the Children'. If you would like to use your donation as a tax write off please complete the attached 'Offline Donation Form' and mail it with your payment. Save the Children will then mail you the necessary documentation needed to use your donation as a tax write off.

I am looking forward to this endeavor with your children and am already cherishing their enthusiasm for the project! Together we can 'make the world a brighter place'!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Doelger